

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (canceled).

Claim 2 (withdrawn): A method for producing a sliding bearing shell with at least one holding cam which is provided in the region of the dividing surface, projects beyond the back of the shell and is formed by a deformation of the sliding bearing shell extending over only a part of the shell thickness, characterized in that through an indentation of the sliding shell starting in the dividing surface a tongue forming the holding cam is progressively cut out by a wedge-like cleaving tool and is bent out of the sliding bearing shell.

Claim 3 (withdrawn): A method according to claim 2,

characterized in that the regions of the lateral face surfaces of the tongue which project beyond the shell back in the course of the progressive cutting and bending of the tongue are cut by the bed knives cooperating with the cleaving tool.

Claim 4 (new): A sliding bearing shell comprising a shell body having a shell body thickness, a shell back portion, a separation area, and at least one holding cam arranged near the separation area and projecting beyond the shell back portion, said at least one holding cam forming a deformation section extending over only a part of the shell body thickness, wherein said deformation section comprises a tongue that is partly cut and bent out from the shell body leaving an indentation starting from the separation area.